

When Col. Roosevelt made his sensational journey to New Haven to confer with President Taft a few days ago it was with a knowledge that he was going to make the New York State fight. The details of that fight have not yet been made known. It could hardly be expected they would be. But the long and bitter struggle which the impression was allowed to gain in the State that President Taft, at least, was not antagonistic to Col. Roosevelt in the matter of the promotion of the Chief of the Administration was thrown to the Colonel, and that resulted in victories in primaries, held during the closing days of the present legislative campaign, which gave Col. Roosevelt bare majority.

Of course, Col. Roosevelt was in a position to place this appeal to his successor in the White House. He had done the President the greatest political favors it is possible for one man to do. He had been Secretary of War, and then nominated and virtually elected him to the Presidency. He had been the only President Taft to follow his predecessor. He was, at the extreme, however bitter he might have felt toward him, and even when it came to the question of a successor, a man who was Vice President with him.

And now Col. Roosevelt has gained prestige enormously by having won the nomination for Governor by dominating the New York Republican Convention absolutely, by having nominated Henry L. Stimson for Governor, by having secured the nomination of the delegates and by having written the platform on which the campaign for control of the State is to be waged.

The President and the ex-President are appeared together before the New York League of Republican Clubs, have conferred together, and have agreed to be running on a platform which most cordially indorses the Taft Administration. It is not to be seen if there is any real intention of a reconciliation between the two men. President Taft has won a public indorsement from Col. Roosevelt, but he has not been able to get an entree to. They are substantially together in the New York State campaign, which in its outcome will have a great influence on the Presidential Party.

What the adjustment between the two men will be, and how they will fare in the election it is hardly worth while to speculate about now. Much will de-